GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
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PROCESSING OF FISHES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for the development of infrastructure for conservation and processing of fishes in the country;

(b) whether there is any scheme to provide grant-in-aid to private entrepreneurs and other agencies for procurement of fish processing machines and construction of cold stores;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of amount sanctioned as grant-in-aid during the last three years, year-wise; and

(e) the names of companies/private entrepreneurs and agencies, particularly of Maharashtra State, which have been sanctioned grant- in-aid for purchasing fish processing machines?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TH. CHAOBA SINGH)

(a) to (c): Under the Scheme for Development of Infrastructural facilities of this Department, there is provision to provide assistance for creation of additional facilities for preservation and processing of fish.

The pattern of assistance of the Scheme is as under:-

NGOs/Co-operatives

50% of the cost of Capital equipment and technical civil works up to Rs. 25 lakhs in general areas and up to Rs. 50 lakhs in difficult areas (GRANT).

PSUs

50% of the cost of Capital equipment and technical civil works up to Rs. 50 lakhs in difficult areas (GRANT).

Private Sector

25% of the Capital cost (Plant & machinery & technical civil works) subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in general areas and 33.33% of the Capital cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs in difficult areas (GRANT).

(d): Year-wise amount released as grant & loan during the last three years.

(Rs. in lakhs)

Years	Grant	Loan
1998 - 1999	397.56	-
1999 - 2000	53.34	200.00
2000 - 2001	77.26	300.00

(e): No grant to any company/private entrepreneur/agency in Maharashtra was released during last three years.